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1. A group of 2,248 students in the first course at the Canton branch of the Chinese Communist Military and Political University completed their training 1 July 1950. The students included 946 from Kwangtung and Kwangsi, 837 from Manchuria, and 465 from other parts of China. Of the Manchurian group, 487 departed for Hankow in early July with the 4 Field Army; their ultimate destination is Manchuria. The remaining 350 went to Hankow 18 July for further assignment.
2. The students from Kwangtung and Kwangsi are to be organized into local defensive militia forces. Organization is under the direction of TSENG Sheng (曾生), commander of the Sixth Military District in Kwangtung.\* The remainder of the 2,248 students have been assigned to duty with either the 2 or the 3 Field Army. All had departed before 31 July to their respective posts.
3. The first train training course at Nan Fang University in Canton ended 7 August. It had originally included about three thousand students, but many left the school during the training period and some were assigned to duty before completing their work. Eighty left on 1 August to study in the USSR. Only eight hundred students were graduated. Of these, some will be sent to Hong Kong and Macao to carry on Communist educational and social activities, and a large number will go to Hsingning (115-49, 24-04), Mei Hsien (116-13, 24-18), Chaoan (116-37, 23-42), Swatow, and Canton for land reform duties.
4. A training class for financial and economics personnel was set up by the South China branch of the South Central Financial and Economic Committee, in order to increase the working efficiency of government employees in Kwangtung. The class, held in Ta Nan (大南) Road, Canton, is directed by I Hsiu-hsiang (易秀湘), Finance Commissioner for Kwangtung.
5. The first course began 22 July with 245 trainees, drawn from employees of the Foreign Trade Bureau, the Salt Bureau, the Commission on Agriculture and Forestry, the Commission on Finance, and the Commission on Industry of Kwangtung. All students will return to their original organizations at the

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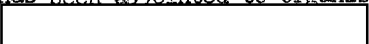
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\*  Comment. TSENG Sheng is better known as commander of the Kwangtung-Kwangsi Column. He has been appointed to organize security troops in Kwangtung. 

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